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Missile Figures in Error Special to The New York Times

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6—A
Defense Department spokesman
said today that the department
had supplied erroneous information yesterday on the increase in North Vietnamese
surface-to-air missile (SAM)
sites the last year.

"We erred in reading our
files," one official said. "In
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nately 100 SAM sites detected in North Vietnam, and not 50 as we indicated. There are now approximately 200. This would indicate a doubling—not a quadrupling—of SAM sites within the last 12 months."